

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A sanitary washing toilet seat device comprising:

a stationary plate ~~fixed-on-a~~ for attachment to a rear top side surface of a toilet bowl;
and

a case accommodating a washing mechanism for spraying warm water ~~form~~ from a nozzle, wherein the case ~~being~~ is mounted onto the plate ~~in~~ with a male-and-female connection such that the case is ~~manner so as to be~~ movable ~~to a frontward~~ in a direction toward a front of the toilet bowl, wherein said male-and-female connection is underneath a bottom of said case such that said male-and-female connection is concealed at least when said toilet seat device is in a retracted position.-

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): A sanitary washing toilet seat device comprising:

a stationary plate ~~fixed-on-a~~ for attachment to a rear top side surface of a toilet bowl;
and

a case accommodating a washing mechanism for spraying warm water from a nozzle;
wherein the case ~~being~~ is detachably ~~connected~~ coupled to the stationary plate such that the case can be detached from coupling with the stationary plate and slid with a non-pivoting movement toward a front of the toilet bowl.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): A sanitary washing toilet seat device as set forth in claim 1, ~~in which~~ wherein the male-and-female connection is established by a projection and a hole receiving the projection, wherein the projection ~~being formed on~~ extends downwardly from a bottom surface of the case, and wherein the hole is ~~the projection being~~ formed in the

stationary plate.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): A sanitary washing toilet seat device as set forth in Claim 1, ~~in which~~ wherein the male-and-female connection is established by a convex portion and a concave portion receiving the convex portion, wherein the convex portion ~~being is~~ formed on a bottom surface of the case; and the concave portion ~~being is~~ formed in the stationary plate.

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): A sanitary washing toilet seat device as set forth in Claim 4, ~~in which~~ wherein a front side of the concave portion of the stationary plate is ~~expanded in its open area in the~~ has an open area which increases in an upward direction, and wherein a ~~fronts front~~ side of the convex portion of the bottom surface of the case is inclined relative to a rear side of the toilet bowl.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): A stationary toilet seat device as set forth in Claim 1, ~~in which~~ wherein the male-and-female connection is inclined in frontward direction of the ~~toile~~ toilet bowl.

Claim 7 (New): A device as recited in Claim 1, wherein said case includes a protruding portion which mates with an opening in said plate to form said male-and-female connection.

Claim 8 (New): A device as recited in Claim 7, wherein said case is movable between a rearward position and a frontward position, and wherein in said frontward position said

protruding portion is outside of said opening.

Claim 9 (New): A device as recited in Claim 8, wherein a locking device is provided such that said case can be selectively locked in said rearward position and unlocked to allow movement to said frontward position.

Claim 10 (New): A device as recited in Claim 9, wherein the locking device includes a lever which is movable between first and second positions to selectively lock and unlock said case, wherein in said first position said case is locked and in said second position said case is unlocked.

Claim 11 (New): A device as recited in Claim 8, wherein said protrusion includes a tapered portion at a front end thereof and said opening includes a tapered portion at a front end thereof to assist movement of said protruding portion out of said opening as said case is moved from said rearward position toward said frontward position.

Claim 12 (New): A device according to Claim 1, wherein said case is movable between a rearward position and a frontward position, and wherein said male-and-female connection includes a protrusion and an opening, and wherein at least one of said protrusion and said opening includes a tapered portion at a front end thereof which is adjacent to a front end of the other of said protrusion and said opening when said case is in said rearward position, and wherein said protrusion is moved out of said opening as said case is moved from said rearward position to said frontward position, and wherein said tapered portion assists movement of said protrusion out of said opening as said case is slid along said

stationary plate during movement from said rearward position toward said frontward position.

Claim 13 (New): A device according to Claim 12, wherein each of said protrusion and said opening includes a tapered portion at a front end thereof.

Claim 14 (New): A device as recited in Claim 1, wherein said case is movable between a rearward position and a frontward position, and wherein the device includes a locking device to selectively lock and unlock said case in said rearward position.

Claim 15 (New): A device according to Claim 14, wherein said locking device includes a lever movable between a first position in which said case is locked in said rearward position, and a second position in which said case is unlocked to allow movement toward said frontward position.

Claim 16 (New): A device as recited in Claim 2, wherein said case is movable between a rearward position and a frontward position, and wherein the device includes a locking device to selectively lock and unlock said case in said rearward position.

Claim 17 (New): A device according to Claim 16, wherein said locking device includes a lever movable between a first position in which said case is locked in said rearward position and a second position in which said case is unlocked to allow movement toward said frontward position.

Claim 18 (New): A sanitary washing toilet seat device comprising:

a mounting device to be mounted to a toilet bowl;

a case accommodating a washing mechanism, wherein said case is movably mounted on said mounting device for movement between a rearward position and a frontward position; and

a locking device to selectively lock and unlock said case in said rearward position.

Claim 19 (New): A device as recited in Claim 18, wherein said locking device includes a lever which is movable between a first position in which said case is locked in said rearward position and a second position in which said case is unlocked for movement from said rearward position toward said frontward position.

Claim 20 (New): A device according to Claim 19, wherein said mounting device includes a plate for attachment to a top rear surface of a toilet bowl, wherein said case includes a seal member positioned between a front of said plate and a front of said case such that when said device is mounted on a toilet bowl said seal member contacts said top surface of said toilet bowl, and wherein when said case moves from said rearward position to said frontward position the entire case moves from said rearward position to said frontward position with a non-pivoting movement, and wherein said case is coupled to said mounting device with a male-and-female connection at a location underneath a bottom of said case such that said male-and-female connection is concealed at least when said case is in the retracted position.